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Terrence L. Dugan and Christopher A. Owens Bolster Firm's Focused Strategic Build

NEW YORK—March 16, 2020—O'Melveny announced today that leading entertainment finance lawyers Terrence L. Dugan and Christopher A. Owens have joined the firm as partners in its Corporate Finance practice, based in New York.

O'Melveny is an established leader in entertainment law with a record of success dating to Hollywood's Golden Age in the 1930s. The addition of Dugan and Owens will continue O'Melveny's focus on growing its finance practice, while complementing the firm's Entertainment, Sports and Media practice, deepening O'Melveny's bench for finance work, and further extending the firm's East Coast entertainment and sports presence.

Both Dugan and Owens arrive at O'Melveny from another *AmLaw* 100 firm. They specialize in representing major lenders and investors, including commercial banks and investment funds, in high-profile credit and M&A transactions involving some of the entertainment industry's best-known players from major and independent film studios, production companies, television networks, record labels, and content producers.

"Terry and Chris have frontline experience arranging some of the biggest entertainment transactions in recent years, and we're delighted to welcome them aboard," said O'Melveny chair Bradley J. Butwin. "Our goal is to provide our clients with unmatched service in New York corporate finance, and entertainment and media finance is a key area for us."

The arrival of Dugan and Owens reflects O'Melveny's commitment to expanding its corporate practice in New York, including in finance, with a focus on specialty finance and middle market lender representations. Last quarter, O'Melveny welcomed aviation finance

partner Jason Kaplan and returning corporate finance partner Jeff Norton in New York.

“O’Melveny is a recognized leader in entertainment law,” said Dugan. “Chris and I are excited about the potential to generate new opportunities across the platform as we add a market-leading entertainment finance practice to O’Melveny’s existing depth in M&A and longstanding industry relationships, and build on the positive momentum the firm has been enjoying in New York. We’re looking forward to a great year ahead.”

Dugan earned his B.A. from Vanderbilt University and his J.D. from Vanderbilt Law School. He is a member of the New York City Bar Association’s Entertainment Law Committee and a member of the New York State Bar Association’s Arts & Sports Section. Owens earned his B.A. with honors in economics from the University of Pennsylvania and his J.D. from University of Pennsylvania Law School.

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